WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2195

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served February 12, 1981

CP-81-03

Case No.

Application of INTERNATIONAL)
LIMOUSINE SERVICE, INC., for)
Special Authorization to Perform)
Charter Operations Pursuant to)
Contract - U.S. Department of State)

By application filed February 11, 1981, as supplemented February 12, 1981, International Limousine Service, Inc., seeks authorization to operate pursuant to WMATC Special Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 1 under a contract with the United States Department of State, transporting employees and persons on official business with State, and mail, over irregular routes, between the main building at 23rd and D Streets, N. W., and department annexes at the International Communication Agency, 1776 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., and the Passport Office, 1425 K Street, N. W., all in the District of Columbia. The underlying contract, which is for a period of one year, commencing March 2, 1981, subject to Congressional funding beyond September 30, 1981, requires utilization of one vehicle seating between 16 and 20 passengers. Inasmuch as this appears to be a contract for the transportation of government employees sponsored by their employer and the contract is for a period in excess of 181 days, the application appears generally to be amenable to processing under Commission Regulation No. 70. */

The contract price is \$127.03 a day. International Limo's balance sheet dated December 31, 1980, shows current assets of \$121,967.77, fixed assets (less depreciation) of \$194,294, current liabilities of \$245,520.63, and equity of \$70,741.14. Applicant's operating statement for the period January 1, 1980 through December 31, 1980, shows income of \$666,046.86 and expenses of \$646,201.90 for an operating ratio of 97 percent.

^{*/} See Order No. 2004, adopting Regulation No. 70, served June 20, 1979, and effective July 21, 1979.

International Limo states that it has experience operating employee shuttle transportation, and that it is familiar with the rules, regulations and requirements of the Commission and will comply therewith. Applicant's fitness was under investigation in Case No. AP-80-22 and the carrier was found not fit to operate. However, by Order No. 2187, served January 26, 1981, International Limo demonstrated its compliance efforts and was granted authority to provide specified service. Pursuant to Commission directive, the carrier is obligated to file periodic reports detailing financial and operational information. A contracting officer for the Department of State submitted an affidavit supporting the application and stating that it has investigated the applicant and is satisfied with applicant's ability properly to perform the proposed service. A certificate of insurance consistent with Commission Regulation No. 62 is on file with the Commission.

Pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 70-06, notice of this application must be published and opportunity given for the filing of protests. Protests, if any, must be written, sworn and notarized, and must contain all evidence and argument upon which the protestant would rely.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That International Limousine Service, Inc., publish once, in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, notice of this application in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission no later than Monday, February 16, 1981.
- 2. That applicant shall file an affidavit of such publication with the Commission no later than Friday, February 20, 1981.
- 3. That any person desiring to protest this application shall file a notarized protest in conformance with Commission Regulation No. 70-06 at the office of the Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006, no later than Thursday, February 26, 1981, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest on Deborah E. Reiser, Esquire, Alper, Schoene, Horkan & Mann, 818 18th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006.

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